

I've just attended the Media & Democracy meeting at Emory University in Atlanta and I wish to express my concern about the grave consequences that will come about if the deregulation of media in the U.S. is allowed. The quality of programming will continue to degrade; the homogeny of boring music on popular FM will continue to become more stale and repetative; and most importantly, the reliable sources for news and editorial opinion will be controlled by a handful of multi-national corporations. This is not how democracy is supposed to work. The media is charged with serving the public interest and the FCC is charged with ensuring the media do just that. The June 2 resolution, if passed, will make it easier for these media to further abuse their power at the expense of the public interest. Editorial diversity and access to reliable news is more important than profit. The airwaves belong to the citizens of the United States, not corporations. Please do not allow this to happen.

Thank you,
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